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**Commission 3**  
**Spatial Information Management**

## **MINUTES OF COMMISSION 3 MEETING**

at WORKING WEEK 2003 Paris, France

Monday, 14 April 2003, 17:00-19:00 at ENSG/IGN, roomL205.

The com3 meeting during the FIG WW Paris 2003, took place on Monday, 14 April 2003, at ENSG/IGN, roomL205.

At the meeting the following delegates and correspondents, coming from public sector, private sector and the academic environment, participated:

Robert W Foster, Hans Knoop, R. Charles Pearson, Raissa B Iakovleva, Martin Scheu, Jan Bares, ..., Peter Laarakker, Robin McLaren, Keith Murray, Bela Markus, Yerach Doytsher, Efi Demopoulou, Babis Ioannidis, Harmut Mueller, Francois Golay, Kong Kham Sourigna, Bounkong Sougnatti, Tor Valstad, Kari Strande, Rob Mahoney, Bettina Petzold, Chryssy A Potsiou, and Gerhard Muggenhuber.

- A. The 24 participants introduced themselves and described briefly their activities and interests.

Mr Robert W Foster, Honorary FIG President, attended the meeting as a correspondent delegate. Mr Foster made a presentation of three draft Mission Statements for global spatial data infrastructure that have been circulated by the Atlantic Institute, a consortium of North American colleges and universities with active surveying education programs. The statements were drafted by Prof John McLaughlin, President of the UNB, Ms Preetha Pulusani, President of Mapping and GIS Solutions of Intergraph Corporation, and Mr Nelson Osborn. The purpose of this statement was to invite comment from Com3, whose work plan includes investigation of GSDI. The commission agreed to review the draft statements and comment. Mr Robin McLaren will be in contact with Mr Robert W Foster for this task.

Prof Hans Knoop informed about the ISO next meetings and undertook to prepare a technical report.

Mr Raissa Iakovleva informed about the progress for the adoption of standards.

- B. The chair of com3, Mr Gerhard Muggenhuber, informed about:

1. the participation of Ms Bettina Petzold, Vice President of FIG, to the com3 meeting, as the FIG Bureau member responsible to be the link between com3 and FIG Office,

2. the FIG Good Practice Report, the need and usefulness of working in this field, the com3 contribution to that and the future initiatives until the next meeting in Morocco.

3. the activity within com3 since the previous WW, the annual meeting in Istanbul and the production and distribution of the CD2003 with all updated information

4. the procedure for the election of a com3 Vice chair. A nomination of two delegates to become members of the nomination committee was announced. Mr Peter Laarakker and Mr Robin McLaren were proposed for that task.

C. The com3 working group Chairs and Task Forces presented their activity reports:

The Chair of WG 3.1 Ms Kari Srande, gave an detailed action plan about their future activity in the field of e-Government and e-Citizen. She also described the Norwegian initiative to develop cooperation between the Norwegian Mapping Authority and the Norwegian Association of Surveyors and the sister organizations and institutions in SR Vietnam and Lao PDR for an exchange programme for young surveyors. The programme started in 2002 and will last for four years. Ms Strande introduced two new delegates from Lao to FIG com3.

The chair of FIG WG 3.2 Mr Keith Murray and the Vice chair Martin Scheu referred to their progress with the WG action plan on SIM Infrastructure, their cooperation with GSDI, their participation to the ISO meetings, the Euro SDR activity as president of commission 4 on “Core Geospatial Databases”, and the inter commission activity on “Standardization”.

The chair of FIG WG 3.3 Dr Chryssy A Potsiou presented the work accomplished so far in the field of establishing a web Inventory on the “State of the Art of SIM”. This task is in line with the “FIG Best Practice Report”. The updated version of this web Inventory was presented during the FIGWW 2003 technical sessions. Ms Enico Kovacs and Mr Tasos Lambropoulos had special contribution to this task. Dr Potsiou distributed a standardized form to be filled out by the com3 delegates for the collection and improvement of the information already included to the web Inventory. She also reported about the cooperation with the UNECE/WPLA and distributed information about the organization of the joint UNECE and FIG com3 and com7 Workshop, to be held in Athens, in May 2003.

The Chair of the joint WG 2.4, Prof Bela Markus, informed about the progress of the WG, the organization of a joint com2 & 3 Workshop on “Education and training in SIM” as part of the Morocco conference and the Organization of the GIS Summer School between 14-19 August 2003.

The co-Chair of Inter-commission activity between com7 & 3 about the “3D Cadastre”, Prof Yerach Doytsher, informed about the successful work accomplished so far, especially during the international workshop on 3D cadastre in The Netherlands. Due to the importance of the issue they plan to organize new meetings for the years 2004 and 2005. A proposal was made, that the meeting in 2004 could be organized in conjunction with the Athens FIG WW2004, at the same period and venue.

D. Commission 3 Chair, Mr Gerhard Muggenhuber, announced the incoming events: CODI.3 Meeting Addis Ababa, 10-16 May, 2003, joint UNECE/WPLA-FIG com3 & 7 conference, 28-31 May, 2003, FIG-UN Habitat-UN-ECA-Arab Federation of Surveyors “2<sup>nd</sup> FIG Regional Conference”, Marrakesh, 2-5 December, 2003, FIG WW2004, Athens, 22-27 May, 2004, and FIG WW2005 Cairo, 7-12 May, 2005.

The com3 meeting in Paris ended up with a nice commission dinner.

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